(c) The LPG imports made by Public Sector Oil Companies during 1999-2000 and the estimated imports during 2002-03 are as udner:

1999-2000	—	1390TMT
2002-03	—	960 TMT (Estimated)

Subsidized LPG for institutions

2730. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce subsidized LPG for Institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the burden on exchequer on this account?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANG WAR): (a) and (b) Subsidized LPG is available to the Government/Municipal Hospitals, Hostels of all schools and colleges or for mid day meal schemes, and the social welfare institutions being run for child welfare/women welfare/social welfare institutions (children homes, old-age homes, and homes for disabled persons, etc.).

(c) The annual burden on account of supplying subsidized LPG to aforesaid institutions is estimated to be around Rs. 43 crore.

Increase in prices of petrol and diesel

2731. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:
SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of times prices of petrol, diesel were increased after the Administrative Price Mechanism for the petroleum products was dismantled; and

(b) the dates on which prices were increased and the increase in rates at each time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) and (b) The Administered Pricing Mechanism for the petroleum sector was dismantled effective 1st April 2002. The details of revisions in the retail selling prices of petrol and diesel at Delhi post 1st April 2002 are given in the enclosed Statement.

Statement

Retail selling Price at Delhi Post 1.4.2002

(Rs./Litre)

	MS	Increase/ Decrease	HSD	Increase/ Decrease
As on:	26.54		16.59	
01.04.2002 WEF:				
04.06.2002	28.94	2.40	17.99	1.40
16.06.2002	29.18	0.24	18.23	0.24
16.08.2002	29.00	-0.18	18.05	-0.18
01.09.2002	29.20	0.20	18.34	0.29
16.09.2002	29.66	0.46	18.68	0.34
01.10.2002	29.91	0.25	18.91	0.23
17.10.2002	30.24	0.33	19.23	0.32
1.11.2002	30.26	0.02	19.25	0.02
16.11.2002	29.57	-0.69	18.57	-0.68
1.12.2002	28.91	-0.66	18.06	-0.51
3.01.2003	29.93	1.02	19.07	1.01
16.01.2003	30.33	0.40	19.47	0.40
1.02.2003	30.71	0.38	19.84	0.37
1.03.03	32.10	1.39	21.21	1.37
16.03.03	33.49	1.39	22.12	0.91